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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the patent document listed on the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed patent document is enclosed.

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the application. Accordingly, Applicants submit that <u>no</u> Statement, Petition, or Fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to

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**CONCLUSION** 

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has

been considered.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

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